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Interviews: 1,010 adults
Dates: July 21-24, 2006

48 Male
52 Female
[109]

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Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.

The margin of error for 1,010 interviews is $\pm 3.1\%$

- 1a. All in all, do you think that things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?

	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>High</u> <u>9/01</u>	<u>Low</u> <u>7/92+</u>	
Headed in the right direction....	27	27	24	26	31	30	72	14	[138]
Off on the wrong track.....	60	61	67	62	57	59	11	71	
Mixed (VOL).....	11	10	7	9	10	8	11	9	
Not sure.....	2	2	2	3	2	3	6	6	
	<u>11/05</u>	<u>10/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	
	26	28	32	34	35	34	42	40	
	63	59	57	52	52	51	48	47	
	8	10	8	12	10	12	8	10	
	3	3	3	2	3	3	2	3	
	<u>12/04</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>8/04+</u>	<u>7/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>		
	41	39	39	36	36	36	33		
	46	48	49	50	48	48	50		
	11	10	10	12	14	14	14		
	2	3	2	2	2	2	3		
	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/14/03</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>		
	41	47	56	41	43	38	42		
	49	43	30	48	47	50	44		
	5	6	9	8	6	8	9		
	5	4	5	3	3	4	4		
	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>4/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>		
	49	62	36	43	44	42	40		
	38	22	47	42	42	43	42		
	8	13	14	13	14	12	14		
	5	3	3	2	-	3	4		
	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>9/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>10/00</u>	
	52	53	62	70	72	43	45	48	
	31	28	20	15	11	39	36	32	

14	15	14	12	11	14	15	18
3	4	4	3	6	4	4	2

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "RIGHT DIRECTION" IN Q.1a.)

1b. Why do you think that things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

	Right Direction (Q.1a)	All Adults	
The economy is good.....	41	11	[139-140]
President Bush shows strong leadership.....	26	7	>
Unemployment is low.....	15	4	
There have been no terrorist attacks in our country since 9/11....	14	4	
Progress is being made in Iraq.....	13	4	
U.S. involvement in the Middle East.....	8	2	
Republicans are in control of the White House and Congress.....	7	2	
Taxes are low or have been cut.....	6	2	
Quality of education/good education system.....	3	1	
Things going well, in the right direction.....	2	1	
Immigration, border patrol.....	2	-	
Quality health care.....	-	-	
Medicare prescription drug benefit.....	-	-	
Other.....	6	2	
Not sure.....	17	5	
Wrong track (Q.1a).....	-	60	
Mixed (Q.1a).....	-	11	
Not sure (Q.1a).....	-	2	

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "WRONG TRACK" IN Q.1a.)

1c. Why do you think that things in the nation are off on the wrong track?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

	Wrong Track (Q.1a)	All Adults	
The war in Iraq.....	38	23	[148-149]
President Bush and his administration.....	35	21	>
The economy is bad.....	21	13	
Increasing gas prices.....	20	12	
U.S. involvement in the Middle East.....	14	8	
A lack of moral values in society.....	12	7	
Lack of jobs.....	10	6	
Illegal immigration.....	7	4	
Deficit.....	6	3	
Politicians/leaders lack of vision, not doing enough.....	2	1	
Cost of or access to health care.....	1	-	
Quality of education.....	-	-	
Other.....	13	8	
Not sure.....	2	1	
Right direction (Q.1a).....	-	27	
Mixed (Q.1a).....	-	11	
Not sure (Q.1a).....	-	2	

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "WRONG TRACK" IN Q.1a.)

1d. Does this feel more like a short-term blip where things are going up and down, or more like a longer-term decline where it seems that things are not going to be as good for a long time?

Short-term blip.....	12	[157]
Longer-term decline.....	81	
Not sure.....	7	

2a. For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are? **(IF "REFUSED," ASK:)** Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to?

18-24.....	10	[158-159]
25-29.....	9	
30-34.....	9	
35-39.....	5	
40-44.....	8	
45-49.....	13	
50-54.....	9	
55-59.....	10	
60-64.....	8	
65-69.....	6	
70-74.....	6	
75 and over.....	6	
Refused.....	1	

2b. To ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?

Yes, Hispanic.....	11	[160]
No, not Hispanic.....	88	
Not sure/refused.....	1	

2c. And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race--white, black, Asian, or something else?

White.....	74	[161]
Black.....	11	
Asian.....	1	
Other.....	3	
Hispanic (VOL).....	10	
Not sure/refused.....	1	

2d. Are you currently registered to vote at this address?

Registered.....	88	[162]
Not registered.....	11	
Not sure.....	1	

3a. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing as president?

	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<i>High</i> <u>11/01</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>4/06</u>	[163]
Approve.....	39	37	36	37	39	39	88	36	
Disapprove.....	56	58	57	58	54	55	7	57	
Not sure.....	5	5	7	5	7	6	5	5	
	<u>11/05</u>	<u>10/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>		
	38	39	40	46	47	48	50		
	57	54	55	49	47	46	45		
	5	7	5	5	6	6	5		
	<u>1/05</u>	<u>12/04</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>8/04+</u>	<u>7/04+</u>			
	50	49	49	47	47	48			
	44	44	47	48	48	46			
	6	7	4	5	5	6			
	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/14/03</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>			
	45	47	50	54	58	52			
	49	46	46	41	34	41			
	6	7	5	6	9	7			
	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>4/03</u>	<u>3/29-30/03</u>			
	51	49	56	62	71	66			
	44	45	38	31	23	29			
	5	6	6	7	6	5			
	<u>3/23/03</u>	<u>3/17/03</u>	<u>2/03¹</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>			
	67	62	61	54	62	63			
	28	33	31	40	33	31			
	5	5	8	6	5	6			
	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>5/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>4/01</u>			
	64	67	69	75	74	57			
	30	27	23	18	20	22			
	6	6	8	7	6	21			

¹Overnight poll conducted after Colin Powell's speech to the United Nations.
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

3b. Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling the economy?

	<u>7/06*</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<i>High</i> <u>12/01</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>11/05</u>	[164]
Approve.....	41	38	35	36	40	38	63	34	
Disapprove.....	53	56	60	58	53	54	25	60	
Not sure.....	6	6	5	6	7	8	12	6	
	<u>11/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>12/04</u>	
	34	40	39	43	41	46	47	44	
	60	55	54	51	53	50	47	51	
	6	5	7	6	6	4	6	5	
	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>8/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>		
	45	45	43	45	41	45	49		
	52	51	52	49	53	51	45		
	3	4	5	6	6	4	6		
	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>4/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>		
	48	50	43	45	47	49	44		
	46	44	52	48	45	42	49		
	6	5	6	7	8	9	7		
	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>		
	47	48	48	49	57	61	63		
	45	44	43	43	34	30	27		
	8	8	9	8	9	9	10		
	<u>12/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>							
	63	52							
	25	27							
	12	21							

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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3c. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling our foreign policy?

	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>High</u> <u>12/01</u>	<u>Low</u> <u>4/06</u>	[165]
Approve.....	34	35	32	38	35	36	82	32	
Disapprove.....	60	61	61	57	59	56	12	61	
Not sure.....	6	4	7	5	6	8	6	7	
	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>12/04</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>5/05</u>	
	45	42	42	44	46	45	48	42	
	51	52	50	50	49	51	46	52	
	4	6	8	6	5	4	6	6	
	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>8/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>12/04</u>	<u>3/04</u>	<u>1/04</u>		
	44	44	44	43	45	47	54		
	51	52	52	51	51	48	41		
	5	4	4	6	4	5	5		
	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/14/03</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>			
	54	56	48	48	47	55			
	41	37	47	48	46	39			
	5	7	5	4	7	6			
	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>4/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>			
	63	70	51	57	58	55			
	31	24	42	36	35	34			
	6	6	7	7	7	11			
	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>4/01</u>			
	62	64	68	81	82	53			
	28	28	26	13	12	20			
	10	8	6	6	6	27			

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3d. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling the situation in Iraq?

	<u>7/06**</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	[166]
Approve.....	34	35	33	35	39	
Disapprove.....	61	61	62	61	56	
Not sure.....	5	4	5	4	5	
	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	
	36	32	37	39	44	
	60	64	58	55	52	
	4	4	5	6	4	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

4. In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Congress is doing?

	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<i>High</i> <u>9/98</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>4/92+</u>	[167]
Approve.....	25	23	22	33	29	61	15	
Disapprove.....	60	64	65	53	56	28	78	
Not sure.....	15	13	13	14	15	11	7	
	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>		
	25	28	29	28	33	39		
	60	57	53	55	51	46		
	15	15	18	17	16	15		
	<u>1/05</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>		
	41	40	39	46	39	43		
	40	42	43	41	47	45		
	19	18	18	13	14	11		
	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>		
	39	42	43	42	44	44		
	45	45	43	39	39	40		
	16	13	14	19	17	16		
	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>6/01</u>		
	40	34	43	54	57	47		
	44	48	41	29	29	34		
	16	18	16	17	14	19		
	<u>4/01</u>	<u>3/01</u>	<u>3/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>12/00</u>	<u>10/00+</u>		
	43	45	45	48	55	49		
	33	32	32	35	30	35		
	24	23	23	17	15	16		
	<u>9/00+</u>	<u>7/00+</u>	<u>6/00+</u>	<u>4/00+</u>	<u>3/00+</u>	<u>1/00</u>		
	46	46	43	42	43	48		
	41	42	46	44	40	36		
	13	12	11	14	17	16		
	<u>12/99</u>	<u>10/99</u>	<u>9/99</u>	<u>7/99</u>	<u>6/99</u>	<u>4/99</u>		
	45	42	40	43	40	49		
	42	45	49	41	42	38		
	13	13	11	16	18	13		
	<u>3/99</u>	<u>1/99</u>	<u>12/98</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>6/95</u>			
	41	50	44	48	43			
	45	40	42	39	43			
	14	10	14	13	14			

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5. Now I'm going to read you the names of several public figures and organizations, and I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as either very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so.

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
George W. Bush							[168]
July 2006.....	21	18	10	15	36	-	
June 2006.....	18	21	9	15	37	-	
April 2006.....	19	20	9	15	37	-	
March 2006.....	20	19	11	14	36	-	
January 2006.....	24	17	12	13	33	1	
December 2005.....	23	19	10	13	35	-	
November 2005.....	20	18	12	15	35	-	
October 2005.....	21	20	11	17	31	-	
September 2005.....	24	18	10	14	34	-	
July 2005.....	27	20	10	15	28	-	
May 2005.....	27	22	10	12	29	-	
April 2005.....	28	20	11	16	25	-	
February 2005.....	31	20	9	13	27	-	
January 2005.....	32	19	9	15	25	-	
October 2004+.....	36	14	6	13	31	-	
June 2004+.....	33	15	8	14	30	-	
January 2004.....	38	17	8	13	24	-	
September 2003.....	35	17	9	15	23	1	
July 2003.....	38	21	9	14	17	-	
January 2003.....	36	20	12	16	16	-	
October 2002+.....	37	24	11	12	15	1	
July 2002.....	40	26	11	11	12	-	
June 2001.....	30	23	16	15	15	1	
January 2001.....	25	25	18	13	17	2	
<i>High</i>							
December 2001.....	54	26	9	6	5	-	
<i>Low</i>							
November 2005.....	20	18	12	15	35	-	

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Q.5 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
The Democratic Party							[169]
July 2006 *	7	25	27	22	17	2	
June 2006.....	10	25	25	22	17	1	
April 2006.....	9	24	27	23	16	1	
March 2006.....	8	24	30	22	15	1	
January 2006.....	11	25	28	20	15	1	
November 2005.....	8	25	29	20	16	2	
October 2005.....	10	24	32	19	13	2	
September 2005.....	11	26	29	18	14	2	
July 2005.....	9	25	28	22	14	2	
May 2005.....	12	26	26	20	14	2	
February 2005.....	14	28	28	16	13	1	
December 2004.....	18	26	22	19	14	1	
October 2004+.....	17	25	22	16	19	1	
September 2004+.....	16	26	20	18	19	1	
August 2004+.....	17	24	23	16	19	1	
July 2004+.....	16	25	24	19	14	2	
September 2003.....	11	29	22	19	16	3	
July 2003.....	11	25	25	20	16	3	
December 2002.....	13	27	27	16	15	2	
July 2002.....	10	29	25	21	13	2	
July 2000+.....	19	27	24	15	14	1	
<i>High</i>							
January 2000.....	20	30	23	15	10	2	
<i>Low</i>							
March 2006.....	8	24	30	22	15	1	
The news media							[170]
July 2006 *	8	23	21	30	17	1	
September 1998.....	9	18	21	30	21	1	
June 1997.....	8	27	23	27	14	1	
January 1995.....	6	20	22	28	22	2	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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Q.5 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
Tom DeLay							[171]
July 2006 *	3	8	18	13	28	30	
October 2005.....	3	8	22	13	23	31	
May 2005.....	5	11	19	11	19	35	
April 2005.....	4	13	18	9	15	41	
January 2005.....	4	13	21	10	10	42	
December 2004.....	3	9	26	7	10	45	
December 2000.....	2	7	19	5	8	59	
July 2000+.....	3	7	18	4	9	59	
July 1999.....	2	7	19	3	4	65	
The Republican Party							[172]
July 2006 **	11	22	18	21	25	3	
June 2006.....	10	24	18	21	26	1	
April 2006.....	9	26	20	21	22	2	
March 2006.....	10	24	21	22	21	2	
January 2006.....	13	24	20	20	22	1	
November 2005.....	9	23	23	19	24	2	
October 2005.....	13	23	23	20	19	2	
September 2005.....	14	23	20	19	22	2	
July 2005.....	12	26	20	21	20	1	
May 2005.....	13	27	17	19	22	2	
February 2005.....	17	27	19	18	18	1	
December 2004.....	19	27	18	16	18	2	
October 2004+.....	20	24	18	15	22	1	
September 2004+.....	21	22	16	18	22	1	
August 2004+.....	18	26	17	16	22	1	
July 2004+.....	18	25	20	18	18	1	
September 2003.....	17	26	17	19	18	3	
July 2003.....	18	30	16	16	16	3	
December 2002.....	21	26	22	15	14	2	
July 2002.....	18	25	22	17	14	4	
July 2000+.....	15	28	24	16	15	2	
<i>High</i>							
December 2001.....	21	36	18	13	9	3	
<i>Low</i>							
November 2005.....	9	23	23	19	24	2	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

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Q.5 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>	
The New York Times							[173]
July 2006 **.....	12	18	26	9	13	22	
Joe Lieberman							[174]
July 2006 **.....	5	18	31	15	6	25	
January 2004.....	6	25	26	19	9	14	
December 13, 2003.....	6	23	26	16	11	18	
January 2001.....	14	28	29	14	5	10	
December 2000.....	18	22	25	11	12	12	
October 2000+.....	19	28	27	9	6	11	
September 2000+.....	17	26	26	8	6	17	
August 2000+.....	19	21	27	7	4	22	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

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6. Please tell me how interested you are in this November's elections, using a scale from one to ten, on which a ten means that you are very interested in this November's elections, and a one means that you are not at all interested. You may choose any number from one to ten, depending on how interested you are.

	<u>7/06+</u>	<u>6/06+</u>	<u>4/06+</u>	<u>3/06+</u>	<u>1/06+</u>	
10, very interested.....	51	47	49	45	46	[175-176]
9.....	9	8	7	7	7	
8.....	17	17	17	18	15	
7.....	10	9	10	11	12	
6.....	4	5	5	5	5	
5.....	6	8	7	7	7	
4.....	2	1	2	1	2	
3.....	-	2	-	2	1	
2.....	-	1	1	1	1	
1, not interested at all.....	1	2	2	3	4	
Cannot rate.....	-	-	-	-	-	

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7. What is your preference for the outcome of this year's congressional elections--a Congress controlled by Republicans or a Congress controlled by Democrats?

	<u>7/06+</u>	<u>6/06+</u>	<u>4/06+</u>	<u>3/06+</u>	<u>1/06+</u>	<u>12/05+</u>	<u>11/05+</u>	
Republican-controlled Congress.....	38	38	39	37	38	38	37	[177]
Democrat-controlled Congress.....	48	49	45	50	47	46	48	
Not sure.....	14	13	16	13	15	16	15	
	<u>10/05+</u>	<u>7/05+</u>	<u>5/05+</u>	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>6/04+</u>		
	39	40	40	43	42	42		
	48	45	47	44	46	44		
	13	15	13	13	12	14		
	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>		
	41	42	42	42	43	42		
	44	45	43	42	42	42		
	15	13	15	16	15	16		
	<u>7/02</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>12/99</u>	<u>10/99</u>		
	43	42	44	42	40	39		
	41	41	40	40	44	41		
	16	17	16	18	16	20		
	<u>7/99</u>	<u>6/99</u>	<u>4/99</u>	<u>3/99</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>9/98</u>		
	39	42	41	37	41	40		
	43	41	40	43	43	39		
	18	17	19	20	16	21		
	<u>7/98</u>	<u>6/98</u>	<u>4/98</u>	<u>2/98</u>	<u>1/98</u>	<u>12/97</u>		
	41	39	37	41	40	41		
	40	40	41	37	42	37		
	19	21	22	22	18	22		
	<u>9/97</u>	<u>7/97</u>	<u>4/97</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>12/95</u>	<u>10/94</u>		
	41	45	44	41	42	44		
	39	39	38	38	41	38		
	20	16	18	21	17	18		

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8. In this year's election for U.S. Congress, do you feel that your representative deserves to be reelected, or do you think that it is time to give a new person a chance?

	<u>7/06+</u>	<u>6/06+</u>	<u>3/06+</u>	<u>1/06+</u>	<u>12/05+</u>	<u>11/05+</u>	<u>5/05+</u>	
Deserves to be reelected.....	38	42	41	41	41	37	42	[178]
Give new person a chance.....	48	45	48	46	44	51	45	
Not sure.....	14	13	11	13	15	12	13	
	<u>10/04+</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>10/00+</u>	<u>9/00+</u>	<u>6/00+</u>		
	49	42	41	50	49	49		
	34	39	42	35	38	39		
	17	19	17	15	13	12		
	<u>12/99</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>12/97+</u>	<u>10/94+</u>	<u>9/94</u>	<u>5/94</u>		
	42	48	41	39	30	34		
	47	37	45	49	53	50		
	11	15	14	12	17	16		
	<u>1/94</u>	<u>10/93</u>	<u>9/93</u>	<u>7/93</u>	<u>10/92+</u>	<u>9/92+</u>	<u>7/92+</u>	
	35	34	37	30	31	31	27	
	47	52	47	55	56	56	62	
	18	14	16	15	13	13	11	
	<u>4/92+</u>	<u>2/92+</u>	<u>1/92+</u>	<u>12/91+</u>	<u>10/91+</u>	<u>10/90+</u>	<u>11/89+</u>	
	33	37	42	35	40	39	41	
	57	52	48	52	48	48	36	
	10	11	10	13	12	13	23	

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9. In deciding whether to vote for your member of Congress, which is more important to you--your congressperson's position on national issues or your congressperson's performance in taking care of problems in your district?

	<u>7/06+*</u>	<u>6/06+</u>	<u>4/06+</u>	<u>3/06+</u>	<u>10/94+</u>	
Position on national issues.....	40	37	43	44	35	[179]
Performance in district.....	36	40	38	40	51	
Both/neither (VOL).....	23	21	18	15	13	
Not sure.....	1	2	1	1	1	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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10. Will your vote for Congress this November be a vote to send a signal of support for President Bush, a signal of opposition to President Bush, or not a signal either way about President Bush?

	<u>7/06+^{**}</u>	<u>6/06+</u>	<u>4/06+</u>	<u>3/06+</u>	<u>11/05+</u>	<u>10/02+¹</u>	<i>Bill Clinton</i> <u>10/98+²</u>	
A vote to send signal of support for Bush.....	21	21	21	20	21	31	28	[180]
A vote to send signal of opposition to Bush....	38	38	31	37	39	19	23	
Not a signal either way about Bush.....	39	39	45	41	36	49	49	
Do not plan to vote (VOL).....	-	-	-	-	1	-	NA	
Not sure.....	2	2	3	2	3	1	-	

^{**} Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

¹ In October 2002, the question was phrased, "Is your vote for Congress this November a vote to send a signal of support for President Bush, a signal of opposition to President Bush, or not a signal either way about President Bush?"

² In October 1998, the question was phrased, "Is your vote for Congress this November a vote to send a signal of support for Bill Clinton, a signal of opposition to Bill Clinton, or not a signal either way about Bill Clinton?"

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

11. Which of the following represents the bigger concern to you regarding the results of this November's Congressional election?

Statement A: The Republicans continue to control Congress, and there is not enough change in the current policies on issues such as health care, Iraq, and the budget deficit.

Statement B: The Democrats take over control of Congress, and they make the wrong kinds of changes in the current policies on issues such as immigration, taxes, and national defense.

	<u>7/06 *</u>	<u>6/06</u>	
Statement A/ Republicans continue to control, not enough change.....	46	51	[208]
Statement B/ Democrats take control, wrong kind of change.....	36	36	
Depends (VOL).....	10	6	
Not sure.....	8	7	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

12. Which of the following represents the bigger concern to you regarding the results of this November's Congressional election?

Statement A: The Republicans continue to control Congress, and there is not enough change in current policies.

Statement B: The Democrats take over control of Congress, and they make the wrong kinds of changes in current policies. **

Statement A/ Republicans continue to control, not enough change....	45	[209]
Statement B/ Democrats take control, wrong kinds of changes.....	35	
Depends (VOL).....	9	
Not sure.....	11	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

13. Let me list some issues that have been proposed for the federal government to address. Please tell me which one of these items you think should be the top priority for the federal government. **(IF MORE THAN ONE, ASK:)** Well, if you had to choose just one, which do you think should be the top priority? And which of these issues do you think should be the next highest priority for the federal government to address?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY TOP PRIORITY

	Q.13a Top Priority	Q.13a/b COMBINED Top/Second Priorities	
The war in Iraq.....	29	48	[210-211]
Terrorism.....	14	29	[212-213]
Job creation and economic growth.....	12	25	>
Energy and the cost of gas.....	11	27	
Health care.....	11	25	
Illegal immigration.....	9	20	
Reducing the federal budget deficit.....	5	12	
Environment.....	4	9	
Other (VOL).....	1	1	
All equally (VOL).....	4	3	
None of these (VOL).....	-	1	
Not sure.....	-	1	

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	Top Priority	COMBINED Top/Second Priorities
The war in Iraq.....	22	38
Terrorism	11	23
Job creation and economic growth.....	13	26
Energy and the cost of gas.....	11	28
Health care.....	14	28
Illegal immigration.....	14	28
Reducing the federal budget deficit....	7	17
Iran's nuclear program.....	4	10
Other (VOL).....	1	1
All equally (VOL).....	3	1
None of these (VOL).....	-	-
Not sure.....	-	-

14. Would you say that immigration helps the United States more than it hurts it, OR immigration hurts the United States more than it helps it?

	7/06	6/06	4/06	12/05	
Helps more than it hurts.....	45	44	45	37	[214]
Hurts more than it helps.....	42	45	45	53	
Not sure.....	13	11	10	10	

- 15a. Do you feel confident or not confident that life for our children's generation will be better than it has been for us?

	<u>7/06</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>9/93</u>	<u>12/92</u>	<u>12/91+¹</u>	<u>10/90+</u>	
Feel confident.....	27	49	25	41	44	50	[215]
Do not feel confident.....	65	42	68	52	51	45	
Not sure.....	8	9	7	7	5	5	

¹ In December 1991, question was phrased, "Do you feel very confident, fairly confident, or not at all confident that life for our children will be better than it has been for us?"

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- 15b. Now I'm going to mention a number of areas that people say they are concerned about for the next generation that is growing up now. For each area, please tell me whether you feel that things will be better, about the same, or worse for the next generation. (IF "WORSE," ASK:) And do you think things will be a little worse or much worse?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY THINGS WILL BE BETTER

	<u>Things Will Be Better</u>	<u>Things Will Be About The Same</u>	<u>Things Will Be A Little Worse</u>	<u>Things Will Be Much Worse</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
The safety and security of the country *.....	28	27	21	20	4	[217]
The quality of public school education *.....	27	25	23	21	4	[220]
The quality of jobs available in America **...	24	26	25	22	3	[221]
The quality of health care **.....	24	20	24	29	3	[222]
The United States' position as the world's economic leader *.....	21	30	27	18	4	[216]
The United States' position as the world's leader of freedom and democracy **.....	21	32	23	19	5	[223]
The environment *.....	17	22	26	32	3	[218]
Affordable housing **.....	12	22	31	32	3	[224]
Morals and values *.....	12	25	23	37	3	[219]
The affordability of college **.....	8	14	31	44	3	[225]

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

16. Let me list six proposals that Republicans say they would try to enact if they maintain control of the Congress next year. Which one or two would you favor most? (IF MORE THAN TWO, ASK:) If you had to choose just one or two, which would you favor the MOST?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

Allowing small businesses to join together to offer more affordable health plans.....	47	[226]
Amending the Constitution to define marriage as being between a man and a woman.	23	>
Denying immigrants who are here illegally the ability to get citizenship.....	21	
Eliminating the estate tax.....	20	
Continuing the policy of monitoring phone calls of people suspected of connections to terrorists.....	16	
Making the marriage penalty and per-child tax cuts of the past few years permanent...	16	
None (VOL).....	5	
Not sure.....	2	

17. Let me list six proposals that Democrats say they would try to enact if they win control of the Congress next year. Which one or two would you favor most? **(IF MORE THAN TWO, ASK:)** If you had to choose just one or two, which would you favor the MOST?

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Change the Medicare law to allow the government to negotiate with drug companies for lower drug prices for seniors.....	42	[227]
Increasing the minimum wage.....	29	>
Reverse some of the tax cuts of the past few years and use the money to develop alternative energy sources.....	28	
Restore tax deductions for college tuition.....	23	
Require that tax cuts and spending increases be offset by tax increases or spending cuts elsewhere.....	17	
Adopt all the recommendations of the commission that investigated the September Eleventh attacks.....	12	
None (VOL).....	4	
Not sure.....	2	

Thinking about international issues . . .

18. One of the Bush administration's objectives has been to promote democracy throughout the world--in general do you think the Bush administration's efforts to promote democracy around the world have been very successful, somewhat successful, somewhat unsuccessful, or very unsuccessful?

Very successful.....	2	[228]
Somewhat successful.....	37	
Somewhat unsuccessful.....	26	
Very unsuccessful.....	32	
Not sure.....	3	

19. Do you think that the Bush administration's efforts have relied too much on military action to actively promote democracy and freedom around the world, relied too much on diplomatic means, or has it been about the right balance?

Relied too much on military action.....	55	[229]
Relied too much on diplomatic means.....	8	
About the right balance.....	30	
Not sure.....	7	

20. Please tell me whether you approve or disapprove of the job that George W. Bush is doing in handling each of the following international situations.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY APPROVE

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>	
The military conflict between Israel and the Lebanese group Hezbollah.....	45	39	16	[232]
North Korea's missile tests.....	43	41	16	[230]
Iran's nuclear energy program.....	38	46	16	[231]

21. Although all the following are important priorities, which ONE do you think should be the TOP foreign policy priority for President Bush and his administration? **(IF MORE THAN ONE, ASK:) Well, if you had to choose just one, which would you say is the TOP priority?**

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

Stabilizing Iraq.....	20	[233-234]
Fighting the war on terrorism.....	18	
Dealing with China as a growing superpower.....	12	
Negotiating peace between Israel and its neighbors.....	11	
Dealing with North Korea's weapons program.....	9	
Dealing with Iran's nuclear energy program.....	8	
Dealing with the genocide in Darfur, Sudan.....	7	
All (VOL).....	13	
None/other (VOL).....	1	
Not sure.....	1	

22. If North Korea continues with its weapons development program and continues to launch test missiles, do you believe that the United States should or should not initiate military action to destroy North Korea's ability to make weapons? If you have not been following this situation, please just say so. **(IF "SHOULD" OR "SHOULD NOT," ASK:) And do you feel strongly about that, or not? ***

Should Initiate Military Action

Feel strongly.....	30	[235]
Do not feel strongly.....	12	

Should Not Initiate Military Action

Do not feel strongly.....	12
Feel strongly.....	34
Have not been following situation.....	4
Not sure.....	8

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

23. If Iran continues with its nuclear research and is close to developing a nuclear weapon, do you believe that the United States should or should not initiate military action to destroy Iran's ability to make nuclear weapons? **(IF "SHOULD" OR "SHOULD NOT," ASK:) And do you feel strongly about that, or not?**

	<u>7/06**</u>	<u>4/06</u>	
Should Initiate Military Action			
Feel strongly.....	37	33	[236]
Do not feel strongly.....	11	9	
Should Not Initiate Military Action			
Do not feel strongly.....	11	13	
Feel strongly.....	29	33	
Depends (VOL).....	NA	5	
Not sure.....	12	7	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

24a. In the Middle East situation, are your sympathies more with Israel or more with the Arab nations?

	7/06*	4/02	3/91	Roper ¹						
				4/89	4/77	6/75	5/75	1/74	12/73	
More with Israel.....	57	48	51	36	43	37	43	40	48	[237]
More with the Arab nations.....	9	12	16	13	5	6	7	8	7	
Both (VOL).....	9	12	12	11	13	12	14	7	10	
Neither (VOL).....	15	18	10	23	23	28	22	24	18	
Not sure.....	10	10	11	17	16	17	14	21	17	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

¹ In the Roper surveys this question read "Turning for a minute to the situation in the Middle East, at the present time do you find yourself more in sympathy with Israel, or more in sympathy with the Arab nations?"

24b. Thinking about the events of the past week in the Middle East, are your sympathies more with Israel or more with the Arab nations? **

More with Israel.....	54	[238]
More with Arab nations.....	11	
Both (VOL).....	11	
Neither (VOL).....	11	
Not sure.....	13	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

25. Do you think that the current conflict between Israel and the Lebanese group Hezbollah will lead to a major Middle East war involving other countries, or do you think that a major war involving other countries is unlikely?

Major war is likely.....	53	[239]
Major war is unlikely.....	34	
Depends (VOL).....	6	
Not sure.....	7	

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Do you think that the current conflict between the Israelis and Palestinians will lead to a major Middle East war involving other countries, or do you think that a major war involving other countries is unlikely?

Major war is likely.....	54
Major war is unlikely.....	34
Depends (VOL).....	5
Not sure.....	7

26. If the current situation in the Middle East expands to a broader war where Israel is fighting several other nations in the region, would you favor or oppose U.S. military involvement in support of Israel? (**IF "FAVOR"/"OPPOSE," ASK:)** And would you strongly or somewhat (favor/oppose) U.S. military involvement in support of Israel?

Strongly favor.....	28	[240]
Somewhat favor.....	22	
Somewhat oppose.....	17	
Strongly oppose.....	23	
Not sure.....	10	

Turning to the economy . . .

27. During the next twelve months, do you think that the nation's economy will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	
Economy will get better.....	14	16	17	24	24	26	16	28	43	[241]
Economy will get worse.....	38	39	44	27	30	34	49	30	17	
Economy will stay about the same.....	45	43	36	46	42	37	32	36	36	
Not sure.....	3	2	3	3	4	3	3	6	4	
		<u>10/04+</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/13/03</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	
		43	43	42	44	50	53	49	44	
		10	13	16	18	10	10	15	19	
		33	33	34	35	37	33	33	33	
		14	11	8	3	3	3	3	4	
		<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	
		45	49	35	40	41	39	41	50	
		16	17	25	20	20	18	20	13	
		34	31	37	35	34	39	37	32	
		4	3	3	5	5	4	2	5	
	<u>12/01</u>	<u>4/01¹</u>	<u>3/01</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	<u>9/98</u>	<u>4/97</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>7/95</u>	<u>4/95</u>	
	50	36	28	17	19	19	21	20	24	
	15	25	29	24	22	22	21	21	23	
	32	34	37	54	53	57	52	54	50	
	3	5	6	5	6	2	6	5	3	
	<u>12/94</u>	<u>10/94</u>	<u>9/94</u>	<u>6/94</u>	<u>5/94</u>	<u>3/94</u>	<u>1/94</u>	<u>12/93</u>	<u>10/93</u>	
	31	31	28	28	27	29	44	43	21	
	17	24	24	17	21	16	16	19	27	
	46	40	44	52	49	52	36	34	50	
	6	5	4	3	3	3	4	4	2	
	<u>9/93</u>	<u>7/93</u>	<u>6/93</u>	<u>4/93</u>	<u>3/93</u>	<u>1/93</u>	<u>12/92</u>	<u>5/92</u>	<u>9/91</u>	
	23	20	23	33	39	50	53	32	31	
	24	29	27	21	15	9	10	20	24	
	51	48	47	44	43	39	35	45	40	
	2	3	3	2	3	2	2	3	5	

¹Prior to April 2001, the question was phrased, "During the next year..."

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

28. Just thinking about your own personal economic situation, do you feel that over the past twelve months things have gotten better, worse, or stayed about the same?

Things have gotten better.....	22	[242]
Things have gotten worse.....	36	
Things have stayed about the same.....	41	
Not sure.....	1	

29. I'd like to list some economic issues. As of right now, which one do you feel is the most important economic issue facing the country? **(IF MORE THAN ONE, ASK:)** Well, if you had to choose just one, which would it be?

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE HIGHEST PERCENTAGE

	<u>7/06</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>4/01</u>	
Gas prices and energy costs ¹	40	30	17	NA	NA	NA	NA	6	38	[243-244]
The gap between rich and poor...	18	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
The federal budget deficit ²	11	18	20	19	16	13	14	11	9	
Pension security.....	6	7	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	
Unemployment.....	5	16	24	23	41	48	41	25	13	
Federal taxes.....	5	6	7	6	9	6	7	8	11	
Inflation.....	5	6	7	6	5	4	5	6	10	
All equally important (VOL).....	9	8	11	10	13	14	15	11	7	
None (VOL).....	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	
Not sure.....	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	1	

	<u>3/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>6/94</u>	<u>5/94</u>	<u>3/94</u>	<u>1/94</u>	<u>12/93</u>	<u>10/93</u>
Gas prices ¹	8	26	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
The federal budget deficit ²	11	18	30	24	33	31	25	26
Unemployment.....	35	10	35	35	33	37	40	43
The trade deficit ³	NA	7	8	9	9	9	7	6
Pension security.....	9	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Federal taxes.....	NA	11	11	12	10	8	11	12
Inflation.....	14	8	6	8	6	5	6	5
All equally important (VOL).....	10	12	4	6	5	5	7	4
None (VOL).....	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Not sure.....	1	2	1	2	2	2	2	1

	<u>9/93</u>	<u>7/93</u>	<u>6/93</u>	<u>4/93</u>	<u>3/93</u>	<u>1/93</u>	<u>12/92</u>	<u>5/92</u>	<u>9/91</u>
Gas prices ¹	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
The federal budget deficit ²	26	31	28	28	28	28	24	22	21
Unemployment.....	40	37	40	44	44	44	46	46	37
The trade deficit ³	8	6	8	7	8	8	10	8	8
Pension security.....	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Federal taxes.....	11	10	11	9	7	5	5	5	7
Inflation.....	8	8	6	4	7	7	6	7	11
All equally important (VOL).....	4	4	4	5	3	5	5	8	10
None (VOL).....	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Not sure.....	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3

¹ Between July 2002 and January 2001, the item was phrased, "Energy prices." In September 2005, item was phrased "gas prices "

² Between January 2005 and March 2001, the item was phrased, "The federal budget." Prior to March 2001, the item was phrased, "Keeping the federal budget balanced."

³ Prior to April 2001, the item was phrased, "The U.S. trade deficit."

30. Do you favor or oppose raising the minimum wage from five dollars and fifteen cents an hour to seven dollars and twenty-five cents an hour? (IF "FAVOR"/"OPPOSE," ASK:) And do you strongly (favor/oppose) raising the minimum wage or do you somewhat (favor/oppose) raising the minimum wage?

Strongly favor.....	59	[245]
Somewhat favor.....	17	
Somewhat oppose.....	10	
Strongly oppose.....	10	
Not sure.....	4	

31. Which of the following two statements comes closer to your view about the economy?

I'm feeling confident about the economy because of the number of jobs that are being created, the strong performance of the stock market, and the low rate of inflation.

I'm feeling uneasy about the economy because of the high price of gasoline, higher interest rates, and the large federal deficit.

	<u>7/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	
Feeling confident about the economy.....	20	19	[246]
Feeling uneasy about the economy.....	74	77	
Some of both (VOL).....	4	3	
Not sure.....	2	1	

32. How much of an impact has the recent rise in gas prices had on you and your family--a great deal, quite a bit, just some, or not much at all?

	<u>7/06</u>	<u>5/00</u>	
Great deal of impact.....	27	31	[247]
Quite a bit of impact.....	25	17	
Just some impact.....	29	28	
Not much impact at all.....	19	24	
Not sure.....	-	-	

On a different topic . . .

33. Which worries you more--that the United States will not go far enough in monitoring the activities and communications of potential terrorists living in the United States, or that the United States will go too far and violate the privacy rights of average citizens?

	<u>7/06</u>	<u>12/01</u>	
Will not go far enough.....	43	55	[248]
Will go too far.....	45	31	
Both equally (VOL).....	8	9	
Not sure.....	4	5	

34. Do you think that the Bush administration has taken the right course of action or has it gone too far in its imprisonment and treatment of suspected terrorists and foreign fighters? *

Has taken the right course of action.....	55	[249]
Has gone too far.....	34	
Depends/some of both (VOL).....	6	
Not sure.....	5	

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

35. Do you think that when the United States captures suspected terrorists these prisoners should receive all the same legal rights as prisoners of war, or not? **

Yes, should receive same legal rights.....	52	[250]
No, should not receive same legal rights.....	42	
Depends (VOL).....	2	
Not sure.....	4	

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Turning to the war in Iraq . . .

- 36a. Do you think that the United States should maintain its current troop level in Iraq to help secure peace and stability, or should the United States reduce its number of troops now that Iraq has adopted a constitution?

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "REDUCE NUMBER OF TROOPS" IN Q.36a.)

- 36b. And do you think that the United States should reduce its number of troops but NOT have a timeline for withdrawal of all troops, or should the United States reduce its number of troops and have a target deadline for withdrawal of all troops within a year?

	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>10/05</u>	<u>9/05</u> ¹	
Maintain current troop level.....	35	35	31	28	35	36	34	36	[251-252]
Reduce number of troops.....	54	57	61	66	60	56	58	55	
WITHOUT timeline for withdrawal.....	19	16	17	21	16	11	NA	NA	
WITH timeline for withdrawal.....	33	38	41	43	42	42	NA	NA	
Depends/not sure when to reduce (VOL)...	2	2	3	2	2	3	NA	NA	
Depends/some of both (VOL).....	5	5	5	3	3	4	3	4	
Not sure.....	6	4	3	3	2	4	5	5	
		<u>7/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u> ²	<u>12/04</u>		
		41	40	43	41	42	45		
		48	53	49	50	48	41		
		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
		NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA		
		5	4	4	4	6	9		
		6	3	4	5	4	5		

¹ Prior to September 2005, the question was phrased, "... or should the United States now reduce its number of troops since elections have been held?"

² Prior to February 2005, the question was phrased, "If Iraq's elections do take place on January thirtieth as planned . . ."

37. More specifically, do you think that we should have an immediate and orderly withdrawal of all troops from Iraq, or not?

	<u>7/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	
Yes, should have an immediate withdrawal.....	27	30	27	[253]
No, should not have an immediate withdrawal.....	66	66	68	
Depends (VOL).....	3	2	3	
Not sure.....	4	2	2	

38. And do you feel more confident or less confident that the war in Iraq will come to a successful conclusion?

	<u>7/06</u>	<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>11/05</u>	<u>10/05</u>	<u>7/05</u>	
More confident.....	32	38	33	32	39	32	35	36	[254]
Less confident.....	58	53	57	57	50	58	56	55	
Depends/some of both (VOL)...	4	5	5	6	6	6	4	5	
Not sure.....	6	4	5	5	5	4	5	4	
		<u>5/05</u>	<u>4/05</u>	<u>2/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>12/04</u>	<u>10/04</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	
		40	44	47	41	41	46	37	
		50	45	43	48	48	41	53	
		6	6	5	6	6	8	5	
		4	5	5	5	5	5	5	

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Changing subjects . . .

39. Do you favor or oppose expanding federal funding for embryonic stem cell research, which is the practice of conducting scientific research on cells extracted from human embryos in an attempt to find cures or treatments for diseases? **(IF "FAVOR"/"OPPOSE," ASK:)** And do you strongly (favor/oppose) it or somewhat (favor/oppose) it?

Strongly favor.....	52	[255]
Somewhat favor.....	16	
Somewhat oppose.....	7	
Strongly oppose.....	20	
Not sure.....	5	

40a. Recently, President Bush vetoed the bill which would have expanded federal funding for stem cell research. Do you favor or oppose his decision not to expand funding for this? **(IF "FAVOR"/"OPPOSE," ASK:)** And do you strongly or somewhat (favor/oppose) this?

Strongly favor.....	22	[256]
Somewhat favor.....	9	
Somewhat oppose.....	16	
Strongly oppose.....	47	
Not sure.....	6	

40b. If your Member of Congress voted in favor of expanding federal funding for stem cell research, would this make you more likely to vote for him or her in this November's election, less like to vote for him or her, or would it make no difference to you either way?

More likely.....	33	[257]
Less likely.....	19	
No difference either way.....	44	
Not sure.....	4	

41. Recently there has been talk of foreign automakers Nissan and Renault buying a twenty-percent stake in General Motors. What is your general reaction to this idea--would you favor it, oppose it, or would it not make a difference to you either way? (IF "FAVOR" OR "OPPOSE," ASK:) And would you strongly or somewhat (favor/oppose) this?

Strongly favor.....	8	[258]
Somewhat favor.....	13	
Somewhat oppose.....	10	
Strongly oppose.....	14	
No difference either way.....	50	
Not sure	5	

FACTUALS: Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

- F1. A lot of people are unable to get out and vote for many reasons. Did you happen to vote in the November 2004 election for president? (IF "YES," ASK:) For whom did you vote--George W. Bush, John Kerry, or someone else?

Voted—George W. Bush.....	40	[259]
Voted—John Kerry.....	36	
Voted—someone else.....	3	
Voted—refused (VOL).....	3	
Did not vote.....	16	
Not sure.....	2	

- F2. Are you currently employed? (IF "CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:) What type of work do you do?

(IF "NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:) Are you a student, a homemaker, retired, or unemployed and looking for work?

<u>Currently Employed</u>		
Professional, manager.....	18	[260-267]
White-collar worker.....	22	
Blue-collar worker.....	19	
Farmer, rancher.....	-	
<u>Not Currently Employed</u>		
Student.....	3	
Homemaker.....	6	
Retired.....	24	
Unemployed, looking for work.....	4	
Other.....	-	
Not sure.....	4	

- F3. What is the last grade that you completed in school?

Grade school.....	1	[268-269]
Some high school.....	5	
High school graduate.....	26	
Some college, no degree.....	18	
Vocational training/2-year college.....	12	
4-year college/bachelor's degree.....	20	
Some postgraduate work, no degree.....	2	
2-3 years postgraduate work/master's degree.....	11	
Doctoral/law degree.....	3	
Not sure/refused.....	2	

- F4. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? (IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? (IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent?

Strong Democrat.....	21	[270]
Not very strong Democrat.....	7	
Independent/lean Democrat.....	12	
Strictly independent.....	19	
Independent/lean Republican.....	11	
Not very strong Republican.....	7	
Strong Republican.....	15	
Other.....	4	
Not sure/nothing.....	4	

- F5. Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate, or conservative?

Liberal.....	24	[271]
Moderate.....	35	
Conservative.....	35	
Not sure.....	6	

- F6a. What is your religion?

Protestant (includes Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Episcopal, Presbyterian, and other Christians).....	53	CONTINUE	[272]
Catholic.....	23	Skip to Q.F7	
Jewish.....	2		
Muslim.....	-		
Other.....	7		
None.....	11	CONTINUE	
Not sure/refused.....	4		

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "PROTESTANT," "OTHER," "NONE," OR "NOT SURE" IN Q.F7a.)

- F6b. Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way?

Fundamentalist/evangelical.....	17	[273]
Neither fundamentalist nor evangelical.....	46	
Not sure.....	12	
Catholic/Jewish/Muslim (Q.F6a).....	25	

- F7. How often do you attend services at a church, synagogue, mosque, or other place of worship?

Never.....	14	[274]
Once a year.....	7	
A few times a year.....	20	
Once a month.....	6	
About twice a month.....	9	
Once a week or more often.....	39	
Not sure.....	5	

F8. Are you currently single and never married, unmarried and living with a partner, married, separated, widowed, or divorced?

Single.....	20	[275]
Unmarried, living with partner.....	4	
Married.....	54	
Separated.....	2	
Widowed.....	7	
Divorced.....	11	
Other (VOL).....	-	
Not sure.....	2	

F9. Do you or does anyone in your immediate family--meaning your spouse, parents, children, brothers, or sisters--have any of the following diseases or medical conditions: cancer, Parkinson's disease, juvenile diabetes, Alzheimer's disease, spinal cord injuries, or heart disease? **(IF "YES," ASK:)** And is that person you or a member of your family?

Yes, self.....	11	[276]
Yes, member of family.....	37	
No, neither.....	49	
Not sure/refused.....	3	

F10. Are you a member of a labor union? **(IF "NO," ASK:)** Is anyone else in this household a member of a labor union?

Labor union member.....	11	[277]
Labor union household.....	4	
Non-union household.....	82	
Not sure.....	3	

F11. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than ten thousand dollars, between ten thousand dollars and twenty thousand dollars, between twenty thousand dollars and thirty thousand dollars, between thirty thousand dollars and forty thousand dollars, between forty thousand dollars and fifty thousand dollars, between fifty thousand dollars and seventy-five thousand dollars, between seventy-five thousand dollars and one hundred thousand dollars, or would the total be more than that?

Less than \$10,000.....	4	[278]
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000.....	8	
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000.....	10	
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000.....	10	
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000.....	10	
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000.....	20	
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000.....	13	
More than \$100,000.....	13	
Not sure/refused.....	12	